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WAR ENDING?

"ONLY A MATTER OF DAYS NOW"

KWANGSI DEBACLE

How Opposition to Nanking Is Crumbling

CANTON'S VOLTE FACE & THE "THREE CHANS"

Opposition to Nanking is crumbling. Whereas the war began with the Kwangsi faction having four provinces to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's (Nanking's) four, the odds have changed dramatically. Kwangsi has lost one of the provinces through a Cantonese pro-Nanking regime taking over control of Kwangtung and declaring for peace. And, in the North, both the leaders, the "Christian General" and Yen Hsi-shan, have pledged their support to Chiang Kai-shek. Worst still, there are rumours of dissent in the Kwangsi ranks in Hunan province and Chiang Kai-shek's forces have been steadily advancing westward with Hankow as their final objective.

Signs of "the beginning of the end" are forthcoming in the reports from Hankow of Kwangsi officials there making provision to safeguard their possessions by placing same in the foreign Concessions, or of leaving the place before the debacle sets in completely.

STIFFENING KNOCKED OUT

Canton, Yesterday. Everything is now in favour of the war being concluded very shortly. For this both Chinese and foreigners will be thankful.

Latest developments are such that it is only a matter of days in which the Nanking vanguard will be knocking at the doors of Hankow with the stiffening knocked out of the Kwangsi defence by superiority in numbers, a landslide of political opinion in favour of Nanking, the desertion of the Kwangsi cause by Canton, and the inevitable treachers in Hunan.

Many troops may have to move before the issue is decided, but there ought not be much actual fighting. So that peace, with much gain to Nanking's prestige, is not far off.—Our Political Correspondent.

Affirmation of Peace

No less effective than it has been surprising, a change of personnel in the Government of Canton has been brought about and a declaration of war against Nanking, the national capital, has been converted into an affirmation of peace.

Thanks mainly to the efforts of the "three Chans," Canton is now strongly pro-Nanking. Orders have gone forth that Cantonese troops at their posts are to remain on duty, and those who have marched north to Shuiukwan to concentrate for active service, are to return immediately.

A few of the pro-Kwangsi diehards are still committed to hostilities and arrangements have been made with the new regime for their troops to evacuate Kwangtung forthwith so that they can do as they please in Kwangsi without embroiling Canton.

Marshal Li's Prospects

The leaders in Canton to-day profess loyalty to Marshal Li Ching-kun. Assuming that Marshal Li is released—and his liberty is unlikely to come sooner than the successful conclusion of the war against Hankow—it is problematical whether he will still be acceptable to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and Nanking. Essentially he is of the Kwangsi group. The accusation against him is that he has conspired with the Kwangsiites in Hankow against Nanking. He may be permitted to rule Canton once more, but only under a much closer degree of supervision by Nanking, or Nanking may "transfer" him to another sphere and let his hitherto subordinates, including the "three Chans" referred to, carry on in his place in Canton.

It might be safe to assume also that were Marshal Li to return to Canton, the "three Chans" will still accept him as the No. 1. If he does not return, promotion will come the way of that section of his supporters who have, during his detention in Nanking, declared for Nanking and peace.

Benefit to Canton

At least one benefit to Canton is assured, in exchange for bowing the knee to Nanking. This is the cessation of payments of huge sums monthly to Kwangsi Generals (such as Li Tsung-jen and Pei Tsung-hsi) for the upkeep of their armies.

Cantonese have taken these military subsidies to heart very much in the past; but, as Marshal Li was

R.M.S. "FRANCONIA"

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INVITES INSPECTION

Another around the world liner will soon be here with a full complement of globe trotters. She is the R.M.S. "Franconia," a vessel by no means new to Hong Kong, as she has been here on several occasions before.

The "Franconia" belongs to the fleet of the Cunard Steamship Co., Ltd., and the 1929 world cruise is under the direction of Messrs. Thomas Cook & Son, Limited.

By the courtesy of Commander E. T. Britton, R.D., R.N.R., this luxurious steamer will be open to inspection on April 4 and 5, from 9 a.m. to noon and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

General Wong Shiu-hung of Kwangsi will rally, by himself, to the cause of the Kwangsi-ites in Hunan and Hupeh. Dissent in Hunan has already been whispered. And circumstances point to even Kwangsi province standing aloof, rather than attempting to turn the tide in Nanking's subjugation of Hankow.

Leaving Hankow?

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DEATH OF U.S. AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE

INSTINGUISHED CAREER

Paris, Yesterday. The death is announced of the American Ambassador, Mr. Myron T. Herrick.

Heart Attack

Paris, Later. Mr. Herrick died in his heart attack. His health had been causing the gravest concern for some time. He intended to attend Foch's funeral but had an attack the day before.—Reuter.

[Mr. Herrick, who was born in 1854, had long been associated with America's diplomatic service and was well-known as Ambassador to France.]

U.S. OIL

GOVERNMENT AND QUESTION OF PERMITS

APPLICATIONS REFUSED

Washington, Yesterday. The Department of the Interior has cancelled 350 permits for prospecting Government oil lands and a similar number of holders have been called on to show cause why their permits should not be cancelled. Nearly 4,000 applications have been refused.—Reuter's American Service.

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MUSLIM LEAGUE ROWDYISM

POLICE ON SCENE

LIVELY DISCUSSION ON THE NEBRU REPORT

FREE FIGHT PREVENTED

New Delhi, Yesterday. The Muslim League, called here for the express purpose of bringing about unity among the Muslim Political Parties, broke up amid scenes of dissension and disorder. A crisis was only averted by Mr. Jinnah, President of the League, adjourning the meeting sine die.

The trouble, due to differences of opinion with regard to the Nehru Report, which contains proposals for a future Indian Constitution. While Jinnah was absent, negotiating with opponents of the report, the party led by Maulana Azad, which was in the majority and favoured the report, elected Dr. Muhammad Ali to the chair.

This led to uproar, the members and audience rising and protesting against Ali's election.

The police intervened and prevented a free fight.

The resolution favouring the report provided that one-third of the seats in the Central Legislature should be allotted to Muslims, was then moved and declared carried amid shouts of protest.

Jinnah returned at this stage and adjourned the session.—Reuter.

WAR VETERANS

FRENCH SOLDIERS VISIT TO LONDON

GEN. GOURAUD COMMANDS

London, March 30. General Gouraud, the Military Governor of Paris, visited an armful in the War Office, London, last night to lead a delegation of 900 French ex-service men to the Cenotaph to-morrow.—British Wireless Service.

IMPRESSIVE SCENES

There were very impressive scenes at Westminster on the occasion of the visit of the 900 French ex-servicemen, headed by General Gouraud, who was officially received in Westminster Hall, in the presence of Government, Naval and Air Council representative, Earl Jellicoe, as President of the British Legion, Lady Haig and several generals.

The Frenchmen afterwards marched to the Abbey where Gouraud laid a wreath upon the tomb of the Unknown Warrior.

They then marched to the Cenotaph where Gouraud, who had lost his right arm, saluted with his left delivered a brief speech, and laid a wreath as a memorial.

The French band played the British National Anthem and the Welsh Guards the "Marseillaise."—Reuter.

OPEN AIR CONCERT

London, March 30. Magnificent sunshiny weather prevailing over the whole of the English countryside for the Easter holidays enabled the King to spend much time out of doors.

Warmed by the sun, the slight breezes which stirred the tree-tops were most exhilarating and this morning, His Majesty sat in an armchair on the verandah of Craigwell House, listening to a concert given on the lawn by the band of Kneller Hall.

The King's Consideration

Many hundreds of holidaymakers who were enjoying the sea and sunshine at Bognor crowded from the beach and many made their way beyond the Bognor promenade along the sands in front of Craigwell House. Observing their interest, His Majesty instructed the police to allow them to draw a little closer while he continued to sit in full view enjoying every item of the programme.

At the conclusion of the programme, the King arose and walked slowly across to them and said quietly, "I hope you all enjoyed the music."

His Majesty acknowledged the outburst of cheering which followed by raising his hat three times and saying, "Thank you." He was obviously very much moved by the joy on the part of the crowd at seeing him in such an improved state of health.

The applause continued while His Majesty walked slowly toward the house.

Holy Communion

The Archbishop of Canterbury administered Holy Communion to the King and Queen in the King's Room at Craigwell House. Nobody else was present at the service.—Reuter.

ELECTION CAMPAIGN

London, Yesterday. The national financial year has closed with a surplus of over \$18,000,000, which, added to last year's surplus of over \$4,000,000, has been carried to a Suspense Fund for relief of local rates.

Mr. Winston Churchill budgeted for a surplus of \$14,500,000.

The expenditure amounted to \$38,000,000 and the revenue to \$36,000,000.—Reuter.

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NOTICES.

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1. That the authorised capital of the Company (which is now \$3,600,000 divided into 720,000 shares of the nominal value of \$5 each, the whole of which have been issued) be increased to \$5,000,000 by the creation of 280,000 additional shares of the nominal value of \$5 each ranking as from date of allotment for dividend and in all other respects pari passu with the shares constituting the Company's present issued capital.

2. That 80,000 of the said 280,000 additional shares be offered forthwith in the first instance (in the proportion of one new share for every complete number of nine existing shares held by them respectively) to the members of the Company who on the 6th day of May, 1929, are registered in the Company's Share Register as the holders of the said 720,000 shares at par and so that on acceptance of the offer the full nominal amount of \$5 due in respect of each such share taken up shall be paid not later than the 4th day of July, 1929.

And that such offer be made by notice specifying the number of shares to which the member is entitled and limiting a time within which the offer if not accepted by the member on behalf of himself or his nominee will be deemed to be declined, and that the Directors of the Company be at liberty to fix such time and to extend it to such date or dates and upon such terms as they may think fit. And further that any of the said 80,000 shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's shareholders in manner aforesaid be disposed of in such manner at such time or times and upon such terms as the Company's Directors shall in their absolute discretion think fit.

3. That no shareholder shall be entitled to any offer of a fraction of an additional share or shares held by such shareholder.

4. That the remaining 200,000 of the said 280,000 additional shares be issued in such manner at such time or times and upon such terms and conditions as the Company's Directors in their absolute discretion shall think fit.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 15th day of April, 1929, to SATURDAY, the 4th day of May, 1929 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

Dated the Twenty-eighth Day of March, 1929.

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One Crystal Refrigerator.

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Hong Kong, 26th March, 1929.

NOTICE.

H.K.W.G. & M.C.L.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Hong Kong Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League will be held at the Helena May Institute on THURSDAY, April 4 at 10:30 a.m. Hong Kong, March 30, 1929.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE SECOND EXTRA RACE

MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on MONDAY, 1st April, 1929, commencing at 2 p.m.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Wuchow, Wednesday.

In view of the present impasse between the Nanking Government, represented by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, and the powerful Kwangsi clique, composed of Generals Li Tsung-jen, Li Chai-sum, Pei Hsung, and Wang Shao-hung, interest

is centring around two places, Nanking and the province of Kwangsi. Several days ago Generals Li Tsung-jen and Wang Shao-hung arrived in Wuchow rather unexpectedly. Their presence in the city was not announced through the columns of the local newspapers until the following day.

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 Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.
 LAPLATA MARU Tuesday, 23rd April.
 BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.
 SHUNKO MARU Friday, 5th April.
 CHIFUKU MARU Friday, 19th April.
 DURAN, LOURENCO-MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR
 & MONBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.
 CANADA MARU (Calls at Saigon) Saturday, 30th March.
 CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
 * TACOMA MARU Tuesday, 2nd April.
 BORNEO MARU Wednesday, 24th April.
 VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports From
 Shanghai.
 ALABAMA MARU (From Shanghai) Wednesday, 10th April.
 MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.
 BURMA MARU Saturday, 6th April.
 BANGKOK—Via Saigon.
 HAIPHONG—Via Hanoi.
 MENADO MARU Thursday, 11th April.
 NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.
 JAPAN PORTS.
 SOURABAYA MARU Thursday, 4th April.
 KASADO MARU Tuesday, 9th April.
 ANDES MARU Wednesday, 17th April.
 KEP Via SWATOW & AMOY.
 HOZAN MARU Sunday, 7th April Noon.
 TAKAO—Via SWATOW & AMOY.
 DEX MARU Thursday, 4th April 10 a.m.
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 SOURABAYA MARU Thursday, 4th April.
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SHIPPING SECTION.

SHIP SUNK

"TUNG TING" STRIKES ROCKS IN
 YANGTSE

NO LOSS OF LIFE

The s.s. "Tung Ting" (Butterfield and Swire) struck the rocks between Kiukiang and Hankow on Saturday and sank with no loss of life, according to a Naval Wireless message. The message further states that the ship went down in six fathoms of water and, in view of the rise of water already overdue, it is probable that the ship with cargo and mails will be a total loss.

H.M.S. "Aphis" from Kiukiang, and H.M.S. "Gnat" from Hankow, were sent to the assistance of the sunken vessel but they have now returned to their respective stations.

Further Details

Hankow, Yesterday. The Butterfield and Swire's s.s. "Tung Ting," which left Shanghai on March 24 for river boats, struck an uncharted rock off Low Point in the vicinity of Split Hill yesterday.

The Captain tried to beach the vessel, but she slipped off the mud and settled, and slowly sank in thirty-six feet of water. Only the funnels and masts are showing.

There was no loss of life. H.M.S. "Aphis" is standing by. The Chinese and foreign passengers are arriving this afternoon in a tug and lighter. —Reuter.

(The s.s. "Tung Ting" is a twin steel screw steamer of 2,000 net tons. She is owned by the China Navigation Company, is registered at London and flies the British flag. She was built by Messrs. Bond and Company Limited, Sheerness, in 1900, and has a length of 270 feet, a breadth of 42.1 feet and a depth of 17.2 feet. Her engines develop 140 nominal horse power.)

LINER'S MISHAP

STRIKES ROCK DURING A FOG

London, Saturday.

During a dense fog the 17,000 ton

Anchor liner "Transylvania," when ap-

proaching Cherbourg after a six

weeks' Mediterranean cruise, struck

the rock of La Coque on Cap Dr. La

Hague early Thursday morning.

The accident is attributed to the ex-

tremely strong current prevailing in

this particularly dangerous portion of

the Normandy Coast. The vessel had

600 passengers aboard. She sprang a

leak and began a heavy list and as-

sistance was summoned.

By jettisoning 500 tons of oil fuel

and by skilful handling, the "Trans-

sylvania" was able to make Cher-

bourg without help and with-

out any injury to passenger or crew.

Perfect order was maintained and the

resources of Captain Erskine was

highly praised by all. It was his last

trip in command of the "Transylvania" and he was due to retire on reaching Eng-

land.—British Wireless Service.

Watching Deck Legislation

Mr. H. M. Cleminson, who replied, recalled that it was Sir William

Raeburn who in 1916 thought that the

Chamber of Shipping ought to be

reorganized, and came and sought him

out of his shipping lawyer's office and

put him in charge, where he had done

his best to make the Chamber of

Shipping a real live thing. During the

first seven months of 1928, he con-

tinued, the freight market was worse

than it had been since 1925, when the

bottom was knocked out of it because

coal exports fell by 20 million tons.

During the past five months there had

been a great improvement in freights,

but if they looked at the whole twelve

months the total result left them very

little better off than they were before.

There were at present encountering

temperatures, but all they could do was

to be thankful that for the moment

conditions were definitely better in the

tramp shipping industry. (Hear,

hear, hear.)

Dealing with the work of the Cham-

ber of Shipping he remarked that one

of its functions was to watch dock

legislation, and they wanted to con-

centrate on getting reduced charges,

or, of course, increased efficiency, and

so far they had been completely suc-

cessful. Now, he was sorry to say, a

Provisional Order had been promoted by the Clyde Trust which had broken that desirable principle. The suggestion was not in effect economies, but merely to transfer the responsibility from one shoulder to another, and whether that was economy in the

Scottish sense or not he did not know.

The point was all the more poignant

because the Chamber of Shipping as

it now existed was really the baby of

Sir William Raeburn, and Sir William

was, he was told, the promoter of this

scheme. Sir William was only one of

forty-two, and it would seem that he

had espoused a cause which perhaps in

other circumstances, if there was a bit

more balanced representation, he

might have adopted.

Mr. John Craig, C.B.E., gave the

toast of "The Clyde Navigation Trust."

The ships could come into the heart

of the city, he said, and be launched

within a hundred yards of the

city, was a remarkable performance

for somebody, and he thought the

Clyde Trust was entitled to the credit

(Applause).

Cheapest Port in the Country

Sir William Raeburn, who had a

cordial reception, and had to thank

the Chamber of Shipping for their

great cooperation in getting on their

list the toast of "The Clyde Navi-

gation Trust."

He had replied to it

time and again, but that night there

was a certain particularity in the ope-

ration, for it was the last time at that

banquet he would reply to the toast.

(A voice, "no, no.") He felt that at

that hour of the night, and in an as-

sembly such as that, it would be abso-

lutely out of place to reply in anything

like a full way to the critics that

had been passed. He was told before

he came that the toast was to be pro-

posed by Mr. Clemenson, and it was a

very dignified position.

Mr. Clemenson had given him the credit of having been the means of putting the Chamber of Shipping on its feet, and making it a live wire. It occurred to him at the present time that it was absolutely too live a wire. (Laughter.) One might feel a certain amount of sadness that at the end of 40 years' service on the Clyde Trust he, a shipowner, should have the opposition of nearly all his fellow shipowners in Glasgow and Liverpool and further spread, and also of his friends the shipbuilders; but it did not make him sad at all, because he felt that the Clyde Trust had been in the chamber, and he had to conduct this fight, one who knew something about shipping in all its aspects, and had had 50 years' experience not only on the Clyde but throughout the world.

It was very easy to get up and criticize; it took much longer to answer the criticism. If the Clyde Trust existed entirely for shipowners, then certainly he could see some reason in objecting to any burdens being put on them, but other traders had been at the Trust time and again. The iron trade, the steel trade, the coal trade, and many other trades—always impressing upon them that the shipowners were far too well treated, and always pressing them for some reduction in their dues.

Mr. Clemenson asked if the shifting of the burden from one shoulder to another was in Scotland tantamount to economy. He did not know of any economic views of that sort, even in Scotland. But that was not the point. The point was: Had those who had been bearing the burden been bearing it more or proportionately? He said they had not. He was a shipowner himself, and he said that Glasgow was the cheapest port in the Kingdom, and it was the port where the shipowners paid the least proportion of the whole total. Now, the policy that he, as chairman of the Trust, adopted in the framing of this schedule, was to try to get the burdens more equally borne.

Exaggerated Nonsense

He saw a flaring notice in the papers, when laid up in bed on the Monday night, which he would have answered at the Clyde Trust meeting the following day had he been able to attend. "Serious menace," said the chairman of the Shipowners' Association. The vice-chairman said: "A great blow to the prosperity of the Clyde and Glasgow." What an exaggerated nonsense! (Laughter.) In due time that would all be replied to at Westminster, but he was not going to give away his ammunition that night. (Laughter.) Nothing would delight him more, he assured them, than to see these two respected friends of his under the cross-examination of Mr. H. P. Macmillan.

He had tried—and he thought his colleagues would give him credit for it throughout all the negotiations and deliberations to be sure, he could say to all the varied interests they had to all the varied interests they had to do with the Clyde Trust. The burden on the shipowners, which he said he was not able to hear, might illustrate by just a very simple example. He had prepared, and he was quite willing to show these examples to any shipowner or the Chamber of Shipping, a list of what it really was going to mean to ship of all sorts and kinds, large and small, trading here, there and everywhere, and he was surprised that some of his fellow shipowners on the two Glasgow associations had never taken the trouble to see how the new schedule would work out for them.

He asked one of them the other day, "Do you know this schedule is to be of advantage to you?" He did not know it. He (Sir William) thought he had convinced him it was true. He said to another shipowner friend, "Do you know what this means to one of your big boats. The dues on that boat in and out of this schedule will mean for you are equal to about one first-class fare,

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MIRZAPORE	6,715	18th Apr. 29th Apr.	Marseilles & London, Straits, Colombo & Bombay
KARMALE	9,116	29th Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles & London, Straits, Colombo & Bombay
ALIPORE	5,272	24th Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles & London, Straits, Colombo & Bombay
MANTUA	10,946	27th Apr.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg
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TAKIWA	7,936	6th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
TAKADA	6,949	9th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
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JEYPORE	9,144	12th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
ARAFURA	5,313	15th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
TAKADA	10,946	16th Apr.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
MOREA	5,949	17th Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
TALAMBA	8,018	28th Apr.	Amoy, Shai, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama
TALMA	10,000	30th Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Y'hama & Osaka
PERIM	6,956	7th May	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
DELTA	7,648	9th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
TILAWA	8,097	10th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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ARRIVE IN THE COLONY.

Those included among the passengers of the s.s. "President Lincoln," which arrived in Hong Kong on Saturday from Seattle were:

Mr. Joseph J. Krastel, an engineer with the Standard Oil Company of New York, making a business trip to Hong Kong and South China.

Mr. James E. Casse, accompanied by his wife, Mr. Casse is an architectural engineer of Shanghai, making a pleasure and business trip in South China, and the Philippine Islands.

Mr. S. Gibson Kirkland, a commercial business man of Shanghai and New York. He will spend 3 months in and around Manila on a business trip.

Mr. Hudson Manning is an engineer for the Standard Oil Company of New York. He is making a business trip to Manila, and will then return to Hong Kong.

Mr. William Voss is affiliated with the Dayton Price Company of New York, and is on a business trip to the Muller and Phipps (Asia) Company, Limited of Manila. Mr. Williams, an engineer of Philadelphia, is making a business trip to Manila.

London.—Following an agreement affecting the conditions of employment of navigating officers in the British Merchant Navy, it is announced by the National Maritime Board that every vessel of over 2,750 tons gross trading beyond Western European limits will carry three certificated navigating officers.

The limits are bounded on the north by the port of Narvik, and on the south by the port of Corunna (including ports in the Gulf of Bothnia north of a certain limit).

The dates fixed for the agreement coming into force are:—For vessels of 5,000 tons and upwards, June 1; and in the case of vessels between 2,750 tons and 5,000 tons, September 1.

Navigating officers, it is stated, regard the arrangement as a very valuable concession which will meet a number of cases of hardship.

An important revision of the conditions under which annual leave is given to navigating officers has also been agreed by the National Maritime Board in favour of the officers.

PASSENGER LISTS.

DEPARTURES

Per P. & O. s.s. "Malwa" for Marseilles, Gibraltar and London on Saturday:

Miss A. M. Anderson, Mr. Wm. Anderson, Rev. L. Arroyo, Mr. D. H. Arakie, Mr. and Mrs. Atkins and 4 children, Paynt. Lt. Col. L. R. Barker, R.N. Mrs. Barker and infant, Mr. H. A. Bird, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce, Miss S. Bruce, Mr. W. J. Burden, Miss A. M. Birks, Mrs. O. C. Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. Burke, Mr. J. Chen, Mr. K. Chong, Miss E. R. Cribb, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Cassidy, Master H. and R. Cassidy, Mr. T. F. Claxton, Miss E. M. and main Cochrane, Mr. C. W. L. Cole, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Coombs, Mr. E. Cornwall, Mr. W. Crichton, Mr. W. S. Cuff, Mrs. A. F. Daly, Mr. and Mrs. N. Donald, Miss A. M. Drysdale, Mr. D. Alton, Hon. R. D. Denman, Miss D. M. Doidge, Miss J. Ewing, Miss M. G. Ewing, Mr. G. F. Freathy, Miss M. M. Flenty, Miss R. Gaubert, Mrs. D. J. Gilmore, Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Grayburn, Miss E. A. Grayburn, Capt. E. L. Gleve, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Graff and infant, Mrs. F. L. Hardwick, Mr. H. E. de M. Hafer, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hotchkiss and two children, Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Heywood, Mr. and Mrs. Hargreaves Browne, Misses J. M. Hargreaves Browne, Mr. J. Hargreaves Browne, Mr. W. H. Hill, Mr. E. Hemmings, Lt.-Comdr. B. R. Hooper, R.N. Lt.-Col. Sir E. Hoyle, Bt., Lady Hoyle, Mr. H. Hutchens, Miss R. Jack, Mrs. C. M. Jones and two children, Mrs. A. Kiku, Rev. A. Kano, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Knott, Mr. J. J. Kraftel, Mr. Kwai Soen-kai, Mr. D. Longhini, Rev. C. Loh, Mr. Lan Sun-tong, Mr. and Mrs. R. Lapsley and infant, Miss Lapsley, Mr. F. M. Lapsley, Mr. Luk Hing-woon, Mr. K. H. Lu, Mr. L. L. Lawler, Miss J. Lee, Miss Mitchell, Miss A. M. Mogson, Mr. M. D. McLorn, Mr. J. Marcus, Mr. J. Macdonald, Mrs. A. Maitland, Rev. R. Martin, Rev. E. Marcian, Mr. A. H. McBride, Mr. C. McLarn, Mrs. R. L. Murgatroyd, Master H. I. Murgatroyd, Mr. F. A. Merry, Mr. and Mrs. E. Nicholson, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. O'Connell, Mr. R. O'Connell, Mrs. L. J. Patten, Comdr. F. R. P. Percival, Mrs. M. C. Potts, Mr. and Mrs. W. Pryde, Master W. Pryde, Master W. G. Pryde, Miss Y. Phillips, Miss L. Phillips, Master A. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Poullain, Mr. R. P. R. P. and Mrs. L. F. Rapley, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Redmond, Mr. D. Reith, Miss E. L. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. S. Russ and two children, Mrs. Richards, Mr. H. S. Redfern, Mr. W. Rucker, Mr. Rahaman, Mr. and Mrs. Liu Shu-fan, Mr. Z. V. Sia, Mrs. Siew Kam, Mr. H. P. Survey, Rev. A. Sqz, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Comdr. H. H. Snapp, Mr. P. Y. Stark, Master C. M. Stark, Miss F. L. Stock, Mr. Tiu Hang-shin, Mr. J. W. Taplin, Capt. and Mrs. R. Tipple, Mr. and Mrs. M. Turner, child and infant, Mr. T. G. Tsien, Mr. Mei Ting, Mr. A. Valcock, Mrs. A. Vollmers, Mr. W. H. Weston, Mrs. Wood, Mr. Wong Yuat-fooi, Mr. Wong Sung, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Williamson and infant, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Watson and two infants, Mr. Li Wen-hwei, Miss E. Watters, Mr. C. Wallis.

More than £100 was found in the bed in which Mr. William Carnegie was found dead when the police entered his home in High-street, Inverness, recently, to put out a fire.

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GOLDEN WEDDING

PIERCY—SMAILES.—On
1st April, 1879, at St. John's
Cathedral, Hong Kong, George
Piercy, of the Diocesan School,
Hong Kong, to Jeannie
Smailes.

Hong Kong, Monday, April 1, 1929.

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Imperial nature and it is certain
that it will be followed as soon as
possible by regular services to
Capetown and later to Australia.
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naturally most interested in the
possibility of a regular service to
the Far East or, at least, to
Singapore. It too will come, and
it is merely a matter of time
when the service will be in regular
working order. Daily, aviation is
becoming more than ever an
ordinary method of transport,
and statistics have shown that
there have been fewer accidents
in the air than there have been
on either railroad or sea. It is
quite an ordinary thing nowadays
for people in any of the great
capitals to journey by air.
London, Paris, Berlin, Rome,
Vienna and other well-known
European cities are to-day within
a few hours of one another.
Daily, the world may be regarded
as growing smaller, as air travel
enables people to pass from one
place to another and over large
distances in a very short space of
time. The progress made
aerially during the past decade
has been astounding. It was very

locally we do not appear to be
making much actual progress, but
we have at any rate got as far as
to appoint a Director of Air Services—
though, as far, there is no
air service to direct. There can
be little doubt but that the ap-
pointment, which has been placed
on the shoulders of our Harbour
Master, clearly indicates that the
Government contemplate aerial
developments in the near future,
and that sooner than was at one
time thought likely we will have
a regular service between Hong

Kong, Canton and Macao. Both
machines and aviators could be
readily available, and all that is
needed is that the tentative sug-
gestions for a British Air Service
that have been heard of so fre-
quently and so long should be
taken up by those able and will-
ing to float a company. Success,
we believe, awaits such an enter-
prise.

If we are to retain our belief
in the special psychic nature of
humanity, in its essential differ-
entiation from the animal crea-
tion and in a life beyond the
grave, we need a more solid
foundation than hopes or
emotions, if that faith is to with-
stand the subtle but determined
attacks made on it to-day in the
name of science or literary criti-
cism . . . The statement was
made yesterday by Professor
John Ambrose Fleming in
a paper read before the Victoria
Institute . . . Dealing with
atomic structure, Professor
Fleming pointed out how Dr.
Neil Bohr had suggested that
there were only a certain number
of permissible orbits in which
the planetary electrons could
evolve. It was just as if round
a city there were only a certain
number of concentric circular
roads along which motor-cars
could run, but not in regular
routes . . . At every stage of the
investigation into atomic
architecture one was as clearly
met with evidence of purpose and
design as one was in the case of
the most complicated chromo-
meter or wireless receiver. One
could not invoke, as an explana-
tion of their origin, any process,
such as a struggle for existence,
as there were no intermediate
types. The eighty-eight kinds of
atoms known were separate and
distinct. They were like coins
struck in a mint, and each bore
the impress of the image of their
maker in the attributes they pos-
sessed . . . Mind in the form of
chemical atoms consisted of
localised energy, and matter and
radiation were incontrovertible
terms because they were essen-
tially of the same nature. With-
out energy there would be no
events or phenomena in the ex-
ternal world. The nearest ap-
proach one could make to an in-
terpretation of it was that it was
the result of the ever acting will
of a divine Mind present at all
times and in all places. What we
call the laws of Nature were
as Oersted had said, only the
thoughts of God. — "Morning
Post" (London).

Mr. J. K. Arthur and Mr. V.
Yanovich left for Manila on the
"Empress of France."

During the whole of last month
the total rainfall registered at
the Royal Observatory was 0.505
inch.

Mr. H. S. King, General Y. H.
Tang and Mr. P. A. Cox arrived
on the "Empress of France" over
the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. George Piercy
celebrate their golden wedding to-
day. They were married in St.
John's Cathedral on April 1, 1879.

Mrs. T. W. Doyle returned to
Hong Kong on the "Malwa." The
Banvard Company, who are now
appearing at the Star Theatre,
were also on the same boat.

The Consul-General for Portu-
gal has received an official cable
dated March 27 stating that the
Treaty of Amity and Commerce
between Portugal and China has
been ratified. The Treaty is, in
consequence, now in full force.

The Fire Brigade was called to
an outbreak of fire last night at
about 8.30 o'clock, at No. 225
Queen's-road Central. Three ap-
pliances turned out. On arrival
it was found that the roof of the
house was ignited. The fire was
put out shortly afterward without
any material damage being done.

"Detectives" drew large crowds
to the Queen's Theatre to see
Karl Dane and George K. Arthur
(the latter a Briton who has
"made good" in America) win
further laurels in film comedy.
Marceline Day appeared as a
charming heroine. This picture
will be shown again to-day. At
all performances Janna Dudo,
the "Queen of Mystery," will demon-
strate in mental telephony.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Hargreaves
Browne left for Home by the
"Malwa" on Saturday. Mr. Harg-
reaves Browne has spent three
years here as Civil Secretary to
the Commodore and is not return-
ing. He played cricket for the
second eleven of the Kowloon C.C.
Both Mr. and Mrs. Hargreaves
Browne were prominently identi-
fied with the musical functions
at the Helena May Institute and
they will be much missed there.

Very Young Wife (tearfully):
"And you used to call me 'My
Queen'."

Very Young Husband: "Yes,
but when I found that the Queen
set the dinner-burn and took a
week to mend her subject's socks,
I decided that a Republic was
better."

PRAPS— PRAPS NOT!

Father: The man who marries
my daughter will get a prize."

Ardent Suitor: "May I see it,
please?"

Small Boy (at table): "What
all that pie for grandpa?"

Mother: "No, my son, that is
for you."

Boy: "Oh, what a little bit!"

Teacher: Willie, what is a
barn?

Willie (from the city): A barn
is a garage where they keep
animals."

He: "May I have the next dance
with you?"

She: "No thank you, I'm too
danced out."

He: "Why you're not stout at
all, you're just comfortably
plump."

Teacher: "Now boys, I'll give
you one more chance. Whose
emblem is the leek?"

Johnny: "Please, teacher, the
Plumbers' Union!"

Professor: "You have now been,
I understand, twenty-five years in
my service, Henry?"

Faithful Domestic (expectant-
ly): "Yes, Sir."

Professor (impressively): "Well,
as a reward for your faithful ser-
vice I have decided to name after
you my newest species of beetle."

"Tomkins' book was a complete
failure," said one.

"How was that?" said the
other.

"Well, you see, he was writing
a mystery novel, and one of his
principals was a Scotsman."

"But what difference does that
make?"

"Oh! But how can a Scotsman
be uncanny?"

A man from the backwoods of
Western America visited New
York for the first time one Chris-
mas, and went into a restaurant to
have his Christmas dinner.

All went well until the waiter
brought him a serviette. The
eyes of the backwoodsman flamed,
and, pulling a six-shooter from
his hip-pocket, he told that waiter
his mind.

"You take that blamed thing
away at once," he said, evenly.
"I reckon I know when to use a
handkerchief, without having
them darned hints thrown out!"

They were travelling home on
Friday evening, and the self-
assertive man was talking to a
friend who was vainly trying to
get in a word.

"Yes," said the loud-voiced
man, "I always bring my dog in
the carriage with me. I allowed
him to travel in the guard's van
once, and I had to pay for a lot of
stuff he was supposed to have
eaten!"

The train slowed, and then the
friend spoke.

"Since you know what your
dog's up to," he remarked quietly,
"I suppose you know he's half
finished the fish you're taking
home?"

A city man advertised for an
office-boy, and, in due course a
bright little fellow presented
himself at the office.

"What is your nationality, my
boy?" he was asked.

"Breetish, sir," was the reply.

"And your father's national-
ity?"

"Breetish, sir."

"And your mother, too?"

"Yes, sir, Breetish."

"And what is your name?"

"Jack 'obbs, sir."

"How do you spell your name?"

"J-a-c-o-b-s, sir."

He was of humble origin, lived
in a country village, was employ-
ed as a general labourer at the
local works, but always en-
deavoured by the smartness of
his attire to create the impres-
sion of belonging to a higher
social order.

She lived in the neighbouring
town, and was the daughter of
fairly well-to-do parents.

They met one night at the pic-
tures, and a friendship began. In
reply to her inquiry respecting
his occupation, he said he was a
clerk.

One day she happened to be
in the village where he resided,
and was passing his place of em-
ployment about noon. So she
lingerred in the hope of seeing
him beloved.

That morning he had been en-
gaged in cleaning out boilers and
presented quite a grimy appear-
ance as he left the factory to pro-
ceed to his mid-day meal.

"Oh, John!" she exclaimed,
catching sight of him as he en-
deavoured to pass unnoticed. "I
thought you told me you were a
clerk."

"So I am, my dear," was his
calm reply, "but you see it's my
day for mixing the ink."

FIRST PARLIAMENT

MILLENNARY CELEBRATION OF
ICELAND'S ALTHING
STRICT REPUBLIC

It is announced that the Icelanders in America have already booked two Cunard liners to take them to the celebration of the thousandth year of the Commonwealth Legislative Assembly, the Althing of Iceland, which is to be held in the summer of next year. It has been claimed for the Althing that it was the first of parliaments, and if it be read in a loose sense the claim may, perhaps, be substantiated. It happened that some half-a-century after the Scandinavians had begun to colonise Iceland and had found there the remains of the Irish hermits who had been there before them, a certain Ulfjot, a settler of royal descent, persuaded himself that it was time Iceland had a code of laws.

He went in 927 home to Denmark, and in 930 returned with his code. He was able to persuade his fellow-squatters to divide themselves into twelve constituencies and to elect in each constituency three delegates. The thirty-six members of the Althing thus elected used to meet each year, in June, at a place which came to be known as the Thingvalla, and which was chosen partly because it was at the junction of the tracks that cross the desert of the interior, but more because it could be had for nothing, since the land had been taken from the former owner, who had committed murder.

Court of the Althing

The Althing made laws and established the "Court of the Althing," which tried all disputes. A Speaker, or "lawgiver," was appointed, whose duty it was to recite publicly the whole law. To him, too, all who were in need of a legal opinion or of information as to what was and was not law had a right to turn during the meeting of the Althing. To him a sort of presidency or precedence at the Althing was conceded, but with a care which marks how jealously the young Republic guards itself against bestowing too great power on its chief officer he was expressly excluded from all share in the executive.

Under the code of Ulfjot Iceland was a republic in the strictest sense. Any man over 25 so long as he paid his taxes and had not been in prison—had the right to stand for election. Eventually the Althing was divided into two houses, the upper house having twelve and the lower house twenty-four members.

The Thingvalla plain, where the Althing will meet again in its thousandth year, is famous for its wild beauty. It is eight miles long and six miles wide, with mountains at one end and a lake at the other. The Althing meets now in a less romantic, but more businesslike, fashion in a room at Reykjavik. It met with fair regularity through the centuries till 1720, and in 1843 it was re-established, but only as an advisory committee. It was not till 1874, when Iceland was given again her constitution, that the Althing was revived in its old glory, and, finally, in 1918 the Act of Union between the two sovereign States of Denmark and Iceland was passed.

Before Columbus

The Althing now has a cabinet which consists of three members; the Premier, who at the same time is Minister of Justice, of Ecclesiastical Affairs, and of Public Instruction; the Minister of Industry, and the Ministry of Trade.

The Althing dates from the century of the greatest of sagas. Scholars say that the saga which tells of the discovery of Vinland—America—is a little younger than the Althing and perhaps the republican United States will now prefer to think that America was discovered by republicans and not by proteges of a king.

THE ANTARCTIC

EXPLORER PERFECTING PLANS IN ENGLAND

Another Antarctic expedition is foreshadowed in the arrival of Sir Douglas Mawson, the famous explorer, in England.

Sir Douglas, who was the leader of the Australian Antarctic Expedition of 1911, states that nothing definite has been settled yet, although he hopes to be able to secure Captain Scott's ship "Discovery" for the expedition. Arrangements are being made, he adds, by the National Research Council in Australia, and Sir Douglas expects to spend several months in England perfecting arrangements.

It is probable, Sir Douglas thinks, that the starting place will be Hobart, Tasmania, in November or December next. Scientific research will be carried on "in the Antarctic, sometimes with

GODDARD MONEY

THE £12,000 CLAIMED BY THE CROWN

WRIT FOR LORD BYNG

The Crown has laid claim to the £12,000 formerly in the possession of Ex-Sergeant Goddard and seized by the police at safe deposits during the inquiries which led to the prosecution of the sergeant on bribery charges.

Mr. Freke Palmer, solicitor to ex-Sergeant Goddard, stated that he had received the following letter from Sir Ernest Blackwell, legal Assistant Under-Secretary, Home Office:

"I am directed by the Secretary of State to inform you that the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis has handed to him your letter of the 30th ultimo, applying for the return to you on behalf of your client, ex-Sergeant Goddard, of the sum of £12,471 10s. and certain foreign notes now in the possession of the Commissioner.

"I am to enclose herewith a copy of a letter which the Secretary of State has caused to be sent to the Commissioner, and I am glad to say that the Treasury Solicitor has been instructed to prepare and take the necessary proceedings."

Instruction to Lord Byng

The copy of the letter of Lord Byng is as follows:

"My Lord,—With reference to the letter addressed to you on the 30th ultimo by Mr. Freke Palmer, the solicitor to ex-Sergeant Goddard, applying for the return to him on Goddard's behalf of the sum of £12,411 10s. and certain foreign notes, now in your possession, I have the honour, by direction of the Secretary of State, to inform you that these moneys are claimed by the Crown, and you are, therefore, required not to part with these moneys, but to hold them, for and on behalf of His Majesty, pending further instructions.

"I am to enclose for your information the copy of a letter which the Secretary of State has caused to be sent to Mr. Freke Palmer on this subject."

A writ claiming the return of the £12,000 was served on Feb. 15 on the Police Commissioner (Lord Byng), by Mr. Freke Palmer, solicitor to ex-Sergeant Goddard.

Goddard was sentenced by Mr. Justice Avery to 18 months' hard labour, and ordered to pay a fine of £2,000 and the costs of the prosecution. An estimate of these and his own costs is about £2,000.

Goddard was sentenced in the police bribery case in respect of sums amounting to over £900.

WIVES OF CLERGY

SOCIETY "FOR BETTER ACQUAINTANCE"

The wives of clergymen in the Diocese of Southwark are combining to form an association "for the furtherance of better acquaintance" by which the widely-extended parishes of the diocese may be brought into touch with one another. The idea originated with Mrs. Darlington, wife of the Vicar of St. Mark's, Kennington. She was moved to sympathy for the young wives of clergymen, who often find themselves in parishes where they are complete strangers, and her suggestion won the approval of Mrs. Garbett, mother of the Bishop of Southwark.

The rural deans of the twenty-one deaneries in the diocese were approached and invited to co-operate, with the result that nearly all the deaneries have been incorporated. Only Battersea, Clapham, Godstone, Greenwich, and Wandsworth now remain outside the movement.

In a circular letter the association states that its intention is not to add in any way to the arduous work of busy lives; it is concerned solely with the promotion of mutual fellowship among the wives of the clergy. At least three meetings are to be held every year, and for these Mrs. Garbett has offered the hospitality of Bishop's House. It is felt that those who live in deaneries so distant as Catherham and Reigate, should at least be able to make these visits to London.

An honorary general secretary has been appointed, and secretaries have been elected for each of the deaneries. At the meetings discs will be worn bearing on one side the name and parish of the member, so that formal introduction will not be necessary. The annual membership subscription is to be a shilling, and sisters and daughters may be elected as associates.

Two informal meetings have already been held. It is hoped that at these meetings members will discuss the problems of Church affairs, which always face the wives of clergymen, and that useful suggestions may result.

Owing to illness the King of Siam was unable to attend at the Bangkok Sports Club recently to present the prizes won at the

SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL"

ENTERTAINMENTS

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Detectives" and Janna Dudo, "The Queen of Mystery."

To-day—World Theatre; "The Wise Virgin."

To-day—Star Theatre; "The Mirage."

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "The Merry Widow."

To-day—Star Theatre; "Banvard Musical Comedy Co. in "By Request."

Apr. 6, 9, 11, 12, 13—Theatre Royal; H.K.A.D.C. production "The Dover Road."

Land Sale

Apr. 2—At P.W.D. Offices, one lot of Crown land at Mong Kok Tsui, 3 p.m.

Home Mails

To-day—Inward from Europe via Siberia "Cachas."

To-morrow—Outward for E. Africa and Europe via Marseilles, "Cachas," 2.30 p.m. and Europe via

Siberia "Tenyo Maru," 6 p.m.

Lammer's Auction

April 3—At Standard Oil Co.'s Installation, Laichikok, surplus stores, etc., 10.30 a.m.

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LESSON-SERMON

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, HONG KONG

"Reality" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, March 31.

The Golden Text was: "Thou O Lord, shall endure for ever; and thy remembrance unto all generations" (Psalm 102: 12).

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds); Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God; and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;" (II Cor. 10: 3-6).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "The conceptions of mortal, erring thought must give way to the ideal of all that is perfect, and eternal. Through many generations human beliefs will be attaining divine conceptions, and the immortal and perfect model of God's creation will finally be seen as the only true conception of being" (p. 260).

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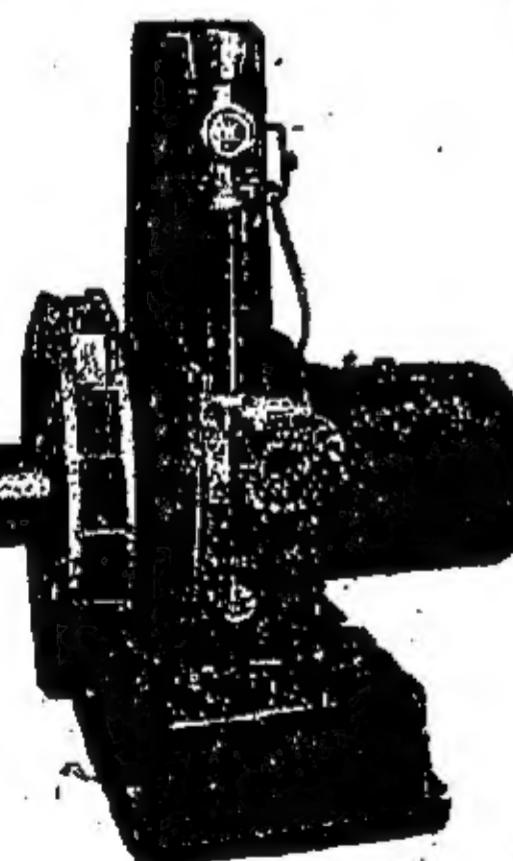
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DICKENS

WRITER RAKES UP
MUCK

In these decadent days black has become a fashionable colour. Exotic women wear black underclothing—at least I am told so—and love to contrast the pinkness of their flesh against black silk bedclothes and black silk eiderdowns—again I am speaking from hearsay. Intensely artistic people use black as a background for boudoirs and drawing rooms, patterning flowers and hanging pictures thereon, while the same funeral hue plays a prominent part in other modern decorative schemes. Black seems to be creeping into our literature also, for we have "Ephesian"—whose real name is Mr. C. E. Bechhofer Roberts, a writer who has given us two rather candid portraits of Mr. Winston Churchill and his friend Lord Birkenhead—painting a portrait of Charles Dickens in this very depressing monochrome and possibly using gall as a medium, assisting his unpleasant pigment to flow more freely.

"Ephesian's" "novel"—this descriptive term is his own—has been inspired by one of two things—a hearty and overwhelming hatred of Charles Dickens or a desire for best selling notoriety by emulating the man with the muckrake. And "Ephesian" has raked up his much to some purpose. Instead of painting a human portrait of Dickens he has provided his readers with a most inhuman distortion.

Instead of facing his subject in the cause of accuracy he has chosen to work in a reflection cast in a distorting mirror of prejudice and hatred, and—making every allowance for Dickens's uncertainty of temperament—has evolved only a surrulious and entirely unfaithful caricature.

It is a pity that in the preparation of this amazing novel, "Ephesian" did not remember Othello's appeal:

Speak of me as I am; nothing extenuate. Nor set down'naught in malice.

Certainly he has extenuated nothing, but malicious inspiration has been the begin-all and end-all of his unworthy effort, which he dedicates to the Duke of Sutherland. His Dickens is a Cockney among Cockneys, who seems to be only happy when talking in the vernacular of Sam Weller. Most of his ideas, according to "Ephesian," were stolen or adapted from others. He takes an early opportunity of letting us know this. When discussing the sketches destined to be known as "Sketches by Boz" Macrone, the would-be publisher, insisted upon the necessity, for speed. "Your style is fresh now," he is supposed to have said to Dickens. "It strikes readers as original. "In six months you'll be imitated—as you've imitated others."

Knowing Dickens's irritable temperament and his vanity in his work, one has little difficulty in imagining the response he might have made had Macrone been so indiscreet as to mark the beginning of the author's career by an unjustified sneer.

Next, when Pickwick was on the stocks, "Ephesian," in discussing Dickens's enthusiasm over his creative or imitative mood, says "Pickwick, the central figure, must perform like Surtees's Jorrocks a comic city merchant. To distinguish him from his forerunner, however, he was to be refined from business." How foolish "Ephesian" appears when accrediting such childishness to Dickens; and more than foolish when he tells us that Mr. Snodgrass was only created "to be an excuse" for the appearance in "Pickwick" of "a gloomy ballad of decay" called "The Ivy Green." He is delighted, apparently, when he is able to make Mr. Hall, of Chapman and Hall, tell Dickens that they "haven't sold a hundred copies of the first number of 'Pickwick'." According to him, "Pickwick," hung fire until Sam Weller was introduced, and the idea of the humorous body-servant comes from Mary Hogarth, Dickens's sister-in-law, who advised him to make the character like Sam Vale, an actor with whom Dickens was once acquainted.

"Vot a werry clever girl it is, as the risin' young author said to his pretty stepsister when she gave him the notion. Splendid!" Thus Dickens according to "Ephesian."

And so the author rattles on irresponsibly and viciously, making Dickens a mean, contemptible vulgarian, an undutiful son, an untrue husband and an archpriest of that hypocrisy and sham he spent his life in fighting.

Dickens was human, was foolishly generous, was by no means a demigod and possessed more than his fair share of that temperament labelled "artistic." He was a born showman who had more interest in the stage than in the library and had the vain and irritable outlook of the successful actor.

The real Dickens is not the Dickens of Forster or the scurrilous lampoon of "Ephesian" but is found most likely, in the pages

of Mr. Ralph Straus. I suggest that whoever reads "This Side Idolatry" should, as he reads, collate the slanders of Mr. Bechhofer Roberts with Mr. Straus's fine "Portrait in Pencil." In this the character of Dickens is not approached from the viewpoint of Pharisee, but from that of common sense. Mr. Straus's Dickens is not the smug, self-seeking hypocrite who is made in "This Side Idolatry" to exploit his family and whose allowances to them are contemptuously referred to, but a Dickens who was systematically exploited by his rapacious family.

Few men have been unluckier in their families than Dickens. For all his genial temper and gracious manners, his father was little more than a wastrel, and a not very honest wastrel at that. His brothers did little or nothing for themselves, and more than once there was serious trouble. Dickens himself was never really free of these limpets, and time after time he was driven nearly wild by their extravagant fancies. Nor, in later years, was he too fortunate in his own sons, who, with one marked exception, made little enough of their lives. It is not pleasant to speak of these matters, but it is not only stupid to omit them as Forster does; it is also unfair to Dickens.

Those who read "This Side Idolatry" are bound in duty bound, to read Mr. Straus before passing judgment on the great novelist. It must not be thought that Mr. Straus flourishes a white-wash brush as energetically as "Ephesian" flourishes his brush dipped in tar. He makes no attempt to white-wash Dickens but, replying on material that was inaccessible to Forster, he shows us a Dickens almost entirely different to the prevailing idea, a Dickens so difficult to deal with and so inconsistent in many things that one can only admire the tolerance of Forster and others who retained his friendship for so many years. But despite his infirmities, he was a very human Dickens, a good son, and, unless disgruntled by the just or the unexpected, a good friend.

It was unduly precocious and at the age of twenty-six behaved like a veteran of fifty. His letters written at this time to the various members of his family suggest that they might have been written by a grandfather instead of by a young man but a few years out of his teens.

Apparently he had an eye for a pretty woman and loved the good things of the table.

"Ephesian" seems to regard Dickens as commercially immoral because he endeavoured to drive the best bargain possible with his publishers, and Mr. Straus admits that "he cannot be altogether acquitted of the charge of . . . treating his publishers in too casual a manner" after he was in a position to make his own terms. It seems to me that Dickens had every right to sell his wares in the best possible market, and when one remembers how advantageous his early contracts were to the publishers, one entirely sympathises with him.

I have said that Dickens had an eye for a pretty face. The appeal of womankind seems to have been potent throughout his life, from the days when he and a little girl playmate, who lived near him at Chatham, indulged in juvenile flirtation beneath the kitchen table, to those when he saw much to attract him behind the scenes of the theatre.

Mr. Straus records that he found the "young ladies of the stage—little periwinkles," he called them—mildly attractive.

If Kate, his wife, had been able to retain her good looks his domestic history might have been written differently. But Kate put on flesh and her ordinarily lacklustre disposition was not improved by the almost constant strain of childbearing—a laudable occupation in those pre-birth-control days. She was the mother of ten children, each following the other with depressing rapidity and, as she invariably took the line of least resistance, she represented just the wrong sort of helpmeet for the volatile author.

Dickens frequently sat at his own expense upon his capacity for fatherhood—"I expect to be presently presented with a smock frock, a pair of leather breeches and a pewter watch," he wrote to Wilkie Collins, his son-in-law, "for having brought up the largest family ever known with the smallest disposition to do anything for themselves."

As Kate grew more lethargic and helpless—her sister Georgina had to step in and take charge of household affairs—Dickens's affection grew colder until it finally disappeared altogether.

His attitude in the case of Maria Beadnell was very similar. Maria represented his first real love. He was passionately attached to her and when her banker father refused to countenance a marriage, he almost offered himself up as a human sacrifice on the altar of celibacy. The memory of Maria haunted him for years.

When he was famous, Maria attempted to come again into his life. She was a Mrs. Winter with her husband—alive and a small

daughter. She wrote to him and her letter—which arrived when the domestic affairs of Dickens had almost reached breaking point—set the old affectionate flame burning bravely. He replied in almost passionate terms, for he could only see Maria as he saw her at her Lombard Street house many years before. She wrote again and he replied with eagerness and arranged to meet her in secret because "he was a dangerous man to be seen with."

They met and he found himself facing a strange woman who bore not the slightest resemblance to the girl he had loved, an unusually plump and coquettish matron, the sight of whom sent him away almost more hurriedly than he had come. The young Maria crept into "David Copperfield" as Dora, the "child wife," the middle-aged Maria pointed a moral and adorned the tale of "Little Dorrit" as Flora, always tall, had grown to be very abroad, too, and short of breath; but that was not much; Flora, whom he had left a lily, had become a peony; but that was not much. Flora, who had seemed so enchanting in all she said and thought, was diffuse and silly. That was much. Flora, who had been spoiled and artless years ago was determined to be spoiled and artless now. That was a fatal blow."

For the second time Dickens and Maria went their diverse ways.

Mr. Straus frequently refers to "bachelor tours" which were undertaken more often as the breach between Dickens and Kate widened. Dickens's companion, and his bachelor tours, was Wilkie Collins and those who are fond of reading between the lines might be interested in this extract:

Wilkie Collins liked to do himself well: he enjoyed the little adventures in which a man of not too scrupulous taste will sometimes indulge. I do not say that he led Dickens astray, but after Forster's scurilous and ultra-respectable ways it must have been relief to have somebody about you at once capable of holding his own in intellectual argument and not unwilling to be pleasantly vulgar on occasions. There are passages in Dickens's letters to Collins (Invariably deleted in the printed versions) which you do not find in his other correspondence. And so, in these days of strain, when the little bachelor jaunts were becoming so frequent, it was almost invariably Collins who was invited to be his companion.

There is a peculiar point about another reference to Collins. Says Mr. Straus: "He was not too straitlaced. In Paris he must have been an ideal companion." There is more than a "chops and tomato sauce" inference about this. Curiously enough "Ephesian" seems to have overlooked entirely the slanderous possibilities attendant upon Wilkie Collins and Charles Dickens shaking loose bachelor legs in Paris. Had he only thought of this how much more horrible might have been his portrait of Dickens, which recalls the comic valentine of the snake-in-the-grass so much in evidence in the seventies.

"Charles Dickens" by Mr. Ralph Straus, which may be obtained from the Central News Agency, is a palatable antidote to Mr. Bechhofer Roberts's nasty draught—J.L.L. in the Johannesburg "Sunday Times."

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THE BRAVEST DEED

BOY RESCUED FROM SHARK'S JAWS

HUMANE SOCIETY'S MEDAL

The Royal Humane Society has awarded the Stanhope Gold Medal for the bravest deed of the year to

Mr. Andres Muller Heyns, aged 29, a farmer, of Mount Hope, South Africa, for going to the rescue of a youth who had been seized by a shark.

In the official account of the deed it was stated that on December 28, 1927, Mr. Andres Heyns was bathing in about five feet of water at Little Brack Beach, Mossel Bay, South Africa. There were other bathers in the water, among them being several children. Mr. Ockardus H. Heyns, a student, aged 17, of the same name, but no relation of Mr. Andres Heyns, and Mr. L. C. Easer, Mrs. E. P. Eastman, Mrs. E. Foster and daughter.

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Sport Columbus

LEAGUE FOOTBALL

SOUTH CHINA BEAT ATHLETIC

CHINESE DERBY

The senior games on Saturday were very important. South China kept their place at the head of the table by a brilliant win over their rivals, the Athletic.

The Police went down to the Navy and the League champion-ships is still in sporting state.

The junior results went much as expected, the Navy by a smart win over the Somersets, maintaining their fine record at the head of the table.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

Division I.			
Chinese Ath.	2	South China	3
K.O.S.B.	2	Kowloon	1
Royal Navy	3	Police	5
*Small Units	2	Club	2

Division II.

Somersets			
Kowloon	2	Royal Navy	3
St. Joseph's	2	R.A.	5
Athletic	10	South China "B"	3
*Eastern	0	Club de Recreio	0
		K.O.S.B.	0

* Match off—Club could not raise a team.

† Eastern could not raise a team.

League Div. I

CHINESE ATHLETIC v. SOUTH CHINA

A Gruelling Game

Before a great crowd at the Club ground, Happy Valley, the visitors from Caroline Hill in the local Derby won well by 3 goals to 2 in a thrilling match. At the interval South China led by two goals to nil, but the Athletic, by great forward play, reduced the lead and at one time looked like making the match a draw. However, high-class defence by Pau in goal and Li Tin-sang at right full back kept the Athletic out and South China won on their merits by the odd goal in five.

Teams:

Chinese Athletic:—Chan Shak-pui; Wong Shiu-wo, Lai Yuk-tat; Hay Choy-ying, Wong Shiu-wa, Lam Yuk-ying; Sin Piu-kong, Lai Wai-koon, Wong Pak-cheong, Suen Kam-suan, Chen Kwong-iu.

South China:—Pau Ka-ping; Li Tin-sang, Lai Mau; Leong Tin-chiu, Leung Wing-tak, Leong Wing-chiu; Tsang Wing, Chiu Kwok, Fung King-cheong, Wong Mei, and Ip Pak-wa.

Pace Electric

Pau won the toss and from the start the pace was electric. Here we saw South China at their best, the Athletic being nearly in from the start, but great defence by Pau and Li Tin-sang kept them out. Fung raised the siege. South China, for whom Chiu scored, but the referee disallowed the goal for "hands"—a decision not favourable with the stand. The Athletic were lucky. Brilliant work by Ip Pak-wa was rewarded. Chiu Kwok scoring with a nice effort.

From another perfect centre by Ip Pak-wa, Fung headed into the net and South China led deservedly at the interval by two goals to nil.

The Athletic attacked desperately on the resumption and Suen and Lai Wai-koon came near, but Pau in the South China goal was playing a brilliant game and all shots came alike to him. The Athletic scored after great pressure through Wong Pak-cheong.

With the game standing in anybody's favour, Ip Pak-wa got through nicely and crossed to Fung who put South China again in the lead.

Brilliant play by the Athletic and end to end passing resulted in Pau being well beaten by a crashing shot from Sin Piu after a well placed corner.

South China held on to their

half, where Bliss was repeatedly called upon to save. A corner was conceded but the soldiers failed to score as Pile cleared after a scrimmage in front of goal. Kowloon looked like breaking through again but a mis-kick on the part of Eastman was Alexander's opportunity and the soldiers were again in front of the visitor's goal. Kowloon were hard pressed, but they prevented the K.O.S.B. from adding to their score. The final whistle saw the score sheet unaltered.

Result:—
K.O.S.B. 2
Kowloon 1

NAVY v. POLICE

Owing to the big counter-attraction on the Club ground there was only a moderate attendance at Caroline Hill for this match. Play never reached a very high standard, neither of the forward lines being up to their usual form; but this was largely due to the excellence of the respective defences.

The teams lined up under Mr. Stokes as follows:—

Police:—Clarke; Wynne, Muir; Brittain, Oram, Jason; Pile, McGreavy, Fraser, Howarth, and Shepherd.

Navy:—Spiers; McGregor, Jones; Prior, Farlowe, Aldred; Van Tromp, Firth, Hessel, Kernick, and Preston.

Play commenced in a desultory fashion, neither side being able to make such headway against the desultory work of the respective half-backs. The Police were the first to threaten through Shepherd and Howarth and the former lobbed over a beautiful centre which Fraser headed just wide. Apart from a few spasmodic efforts, the Navy forwards had not got into their stride at this stage and it occasioned no great surprise when Howarth rounded off a nice effort by running in to beat Spiers from close range.

This early drawing of first blood incited the sailors to bigger and more concentrated efforts and shortly afterward that stalwart forward, Kernick, accepted a neat pass which he converted into the equaliser.

This quick retaliation modified the Police style of play which, up to this stage, had been slightly superior to that of their opponents. Both teams strove for the lead and for a time exchanges ruled fairly even. McGreavy made one particularly clever run up toward the Navy citadel, only to be effectively repulsed by Wynne, who cleared with a long shot. The Navy forwards were quick to respond to the clever clearances made by their defence, the result being that Kernick established the lead for his side before the half-time whistle blow.

Half-time:—
Navy 2
Police 1

Brighter Play

On resuming, Navy more or less took temporary control of the game, and although Police made many spirited efforts they failed to achieve the coveted equaliser. From a general point of view, the quality of play improved in the second half, the work of the two forward lines comparing favourably with their efforts in the first half, while the respective defences left very little to be desired. The honour of recording the equaliser was left to Pile, who scored a perfect goal with a close range shot.

Play was thereafter frequently transferred from end to end. It was, however, apparent that if further points were to be recorded they would almost undoubtedly go to the Naval account. This surmise was borne out when Hassell netted the ball for the last time in a fairly interesting game.

Result:—
Navy 3
Police 2

Division II

SOMERSET LIGHT INFANTRY v. NAVY

The Navy still hold on to the League leadership as the result of a narrow victory over the Somer-

HOME FOOTBALL

ENGLISH & SCOTTISH LEAGUE GAMES

SOME HEAVY SCORING

London, Saturday.
To-day's games in the League matches resulted:

ENGLISH LEAGUE

First Division

Arsenal 1, Bury 1.
Birmingham 0, Newcastle 0.
Blackburn 2, Aston Villa 5.
Bolton 0, Liverpool 0.

Derby 6, Manchester U. 1.
Everton 1, Sheffield U. 3.
Huddersfield 1, Cardiff 1.
Manchester C. 4, Burnley 1.
Portsmouth 3, West Ham 0.

Wednesday 4, Leeds 2.
Sunderland 1, Leicester 2.

Second Division

Barnsley 6, Port Vale 0.
Blackpool 7, Notts. County 2.
Bradford 4, Southampton 1.
Bristol C. 0, Hull 0.

Chelsea 0, Millwall 3.
Clapton 0, Priston N.E. 0.
Grimbsy 1, Oldham 0.
Notts. Forest 2, Tottenham 2.
Stoke 3, Middlesbrough 2.
Swansea 2, Wolves 0.
West Brom 5, Reading 0.

Third Division (South)

Bournemouth 0, Newport 1.
Brentford 2, Crystal Pal. 4.
Brighton 2, Queen's P.R. 1.
Charlton 2, Plymouth 1.
Coventry 2, Torquay 1.
Exeter 2, Bristol R. 2.
Luton 5, Swindon 3.
Merthyr 1, Walsall 0.

Northampton 1, Gillingham 0.
Norwich 2, Fulham 2.
Southend 1, Watford 2.

Third Division (North)

Ashington 1, Wigan 1.
Carlisle 4, Barrow 1.
Chesterfield 4, Hartlepools 1.
Darlington 2, Stockport 3.
Doncaster 1, Rotherham 0.
Nelson 4, Tranmere 2.
New Brighton 0, Bradford C. 3.
Rochdale 0, Lincoln 2.
Southport 0, Halifax 0.
Sth. Shields 3, Crewe 0.
Wrexham 4, Accrington 1.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

First Division

Aberdeen 5, Partick 0.
Airdrie 5, St. Johnstone 1.

Ayr 4, Hibernians 1.

Celtic 3, Third Lanark 1.

Dundee 4, Cowdenbeath 0.

Hearts 3, Kilmarnock 3.

Motherwell 1, St. Mirren 1.

Queen's Park 5, Hamilton 0.

Raith R. 2, Falkirk 0.

Rangers 0, Clyde 0.

—Reuter.

sets. Play was of quite good standard and victory certainly went to the better team, Cairns, Gray and Sorbie all doing well in the Naval forward line. The Somersets, however, put up their best display since their arrival in the Colony, and, on Saturday's form, will be a hard team to beat.

The Navy took the lead two minutes from the commencement, Gray netting after Verrier had saved from Kay.

The soldiers retaliated with vigour and equalised through Earley.

The remainder of the first half ruled slightly in favour of the Navy, and Sorbie put them ahead before half-time.

The second half was fought out at the same brisk pace and there was considerable excitement when the Somersets again drew level, Meach being the scorer on this occasion.

The Navy assumed command at this stage and forced the pace to such an extent that the Somersets were kept busily on the defensive. Eventually Evans got through for the Navy and the Somersets were obliged to admit defeat by the odd goal in five after a well-fought-out and interesting contest.

Verrier, Crawley, Palmer, and Hicks all did extremely well for the losers.

Result:—

Navy 3
Somersets 2

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RIFLE SHOOTING

VOLUNTEER CORPS ANNUAL MEETING

FIRST DAY'S RESULTS

The annual rifle meeting of the Volunteer Corps opened at Stonecutter's range, yesterday. The competitions were for the Blake Shield, a challenge trophy presented by the late Sir Henry Blake, K.C.M.G., the Francis Cup, presented by the late Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C., the Attack Competition, the Jar Competition, and the Reserve Company Cup competition.

The first on the programme was the Blake Shield, in which 20 teams took part, the winners being the Mounted Infantry, with 289 points, the Corps Signals being second with 271 points, and the "A" Team of No. 6 Platoon third with 264 points.

This was followed by the shoot for the Francis Cup, 21 teams entering, the "A" Team of No. 6 Platoon being winners with 261 points, No. 2 "A" Team second with 247 points and No. 1 "A" third with 234 points.

In the Jar Competition, in which nine jars filled with water and painted white were exposed on the butts, the team breaking the largest number being the winner, a keen competition resulted, the highest score being made by the "B" Team, of No. 2 Platoon, with eight jars to their credit, the Motor Cycle Section coming in second with five.

The Attack Competition attracted a large number of entries, No. 6 Platoon being winners with 50 points, followed by No. 2 "A" with 46.

The last competition of the day was for the Hong Kong Volunteer Reserve Challenge Cup, which was won by L. C. Shaw. Five competitors entered.

The programme for to-day consists of the Corps Championship, the Tyro Competition for beginners, and the Musketry Competition.

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AMERICA'S RYDER CUP TEAM

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FANLING COMPETITIONS</

RACING

TWO DEAD HEATS ON FIRST DAY

MR. HEARD'S FOUR WINS

Excellent sport to-day, the second day of the Hong Kong Jockey Club's second extra meeting of the season, was forecast by the thrilling racing on Saturday.

With the rain keeping off, some big fields now and then, close finishes, two dead heats and an almost equal distribution of successful favourites and outsiders, the big crowd went home pleased.

Everything went off without a hitch, although there were one or two instances of ponies being interfered with when all out. Dividends were maintained at a satisfactory level and the cash sweeps were well patronised.

Mr. A. J. P. Heard, who is now stationed here, on transfer from Shanghai, came into his own—as one of the "star" gentleman riders on the China Coast—with four victories in six attempts. Three were in consecutive races, his record for the day being:

1st d.n.s.; 2nd won; 3rd won; 4th won; 5th d.n.s.; 6th, ran fourth; 7th won; 8th, ran third; 9th d.n.s. (d.n.s. denotes did not start).

That Mr. Heard's capabilities are recognised is evident from the fact that all his firsts were on favourites.

Ex-Derby Winner

Next to Mr. Heard came Mr. G. U. da Roza, who won the opening race and dead-heated for first place in another event.

Mr. F. M. L. Soares, who is the only jockey taking part in local racing at present to have won the Hong Kong Derby (the honour having been denied to Mr. Heard in a long career), came into his own by catching the judge's eye in the last race of the day.

Of the owners, Mr. "John Peel" (Mr. B. D. F. Beith) saw Mr. Heard carry the dark blue and white braid in twice. And Mr. Beith was also associated in Mr. Heard's other two winners.

Times Good

Times did not disappoint, considering that the course had been subject to half an inch of rain the day before. Where fields were small, the finishes were close. Where a fairly large number of ponies faced the starter, there were always a few, in at the death to maintain interest to the last stride.

Favourites claimed the first four races, two returning less than evens. Then came Monterey Bay (Mr. Y. M. Loo, of Macao, up) with \$175.50. After that outsiders beat the "book of form" three times more and only one favourite justified expectations.

The Cash Sweeps of the day resulted:

Race 1.

No. 319 \$779.80
" 16 228.80
" 356 111.40

Unplaced runner (\$50.00), No: 298.

Race 2.

No. 396 \$852.60
" 92 243.60
" 352 121.80

Unplaced runners (\$50.00 each), Nos: 145, 162, 15, 203, 164, 59, 420, 242, 408.

Race 3.

No. 100 \$1,055.60
" 352 301.60
" 189 150.80

Unplaced runners (\$50.00 each), Nos: 188, 448, 238, 139, 381, 496, 191, 146, 380, 487, 383, 283.

Race 4.

No. 1 \$2,755.20
" 457 787.20
" 108 393.60

Race 5.

No. 1 \$1,621.20
" 408 463.20
" 361 231.60

Unplaced runners (\$50.00 each), Nos: 608, 577, 516, 115.

Race 6.

No. 71 \$872.10
" 346 872.10
" 448 193.80

Unplaced runners (\$50.00 each), Nos: 597, 250, 280, 492, 299, 356, 567, 118, 397.

Race 7.

No. 272 \$1,356.60
" 258 387.60
" 499 193.80

Unplaced runners (\$50.00 each), Nos: 162, 506, 256, 559, 525, 504, 518, 370, 296, 245, 376.

Race 8.

No. 131 \$1,468.60
" 414 419.60
" 103 209.80

Unplaced runner (\$50.00 each), No: 455.

Race 9.

No. 531 \$1,612.80
" 54 345.60
" 570 345.60

Unplaced runners (\$50.00 each), Nos: 621, 97, 201, 596.

1.—Colonial Stakes: Five Furlongs—For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey's Allowance, Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$160. 3rd Prize: \$100.

L. Dunbar's Bakers Bay 158 lbs. (Mr. da Roza).

Bennett & Cave's San Francisco 158 lbs. (Mr. Bulteel) 2
Liang & Wong's O-Moon 168 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 3
Cheng & Ng's Glory 157 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 0

Time: 1 min. 18 secs.

A head, 4 lengths.

Parimutuel: winner \$9.00;

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Winner Places

Bakers Bay 444 316

O-Moon 254 243

San Francisco 181 101

Glory 13 14

In a splendid tussle up the straight, the favourite, Bakers Bay, overhauled San Francisco in the last few strides after a grim effort to get on terms and just clinched the odds of 5 to 1 on. The favourite drew the rails' berth but San Francisco got away best when the flag fell. O-Moon was three lengths to the bad at the start but quickly disposed of Glory. Mr. G. U. da Roza, on Bakers Bay, was content to follow San Francisco round until the top of the straight when he drew out and launched his successful challenge. Mr. T. O. Bulteel appeared to make the mistake of not trying to increase his lead in the first three furlongs and thereby suffered by comparison at the critical moment. O-Moon was ridden all out but was receding after three furlongs and, not seeming to like the rather soft going, finished a poor third.

2.—Commonwealth Handicap: "C" Class: Six Furlongs—For China Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$160. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Dyer & Beith's Tangle 160 lbs. (Mr. Heard) 1

Splits' Half Pint 144 lbs. (Mr. Harriman) 2

Ip & Mo's Inca 157 lbs. (Mr. da Roza) 3

James's Rummy 150 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 4

Mancunian's Alderley 143 lbs. (Mr. Backhouse) 0

Dynasty's Dark Eyes 154 lbs. (Mr. Bulteel) 0

Mrs. Charles's May 157 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 0

D. A. Cave's Movaganher 155 lbs. (Mr. Mockler) 0

Hynes & Mackie's Pumpkin 147 lbs. (Mr. Clark) 0

H. K. Wong's Silver Stag 150 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 0

Mrs. W. T. Southorn's Touch Wood 146 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 0

Mac's Zephyr 154 lbs. (Mr. Churchill) 0

Time: 1 min. 36.2/5 secs.

1½ lengths, ½ length.

Parimutuel: winner \$14.80;

places, 1st \$7.20; 2nd \$21.80; 3rd \$24.10.

Winner Places

Tangle 271 655

Dark Eyes 201 473

Pumpkin 110 197

May 81 113

Inca 48 79

Half Pint 46 89

Rummy 41 74

Zephyr 29 44

Silver Stag 33 81

Alderley 25 65

Touch Wood 13 20

Movaganher 6 22

Tangle, the favourite, was not leading until the distance post from which stage there was never any doubt as to first place but there was a stiff fight for the remaining places.

May was first to show out but another outsider in Half Pint soon joined company on the outside. After two furlongs, Alderley swept past the van and established commanding lead. This pony looked as if he would win, but, on entering the straight, ran terribly wide and got lost, literally, in the field which came up.

Half Pint had slipped into the lead, followed by Tangle, which Mr. A. J. P. Heard had brought up steadily. Half Pint hung on with several others coming into the picture. Inca's effort, on the rails, was belated; catching up Half Pint at every stride, he just lost second berth. Rummy, on the outside, was close up fourth, with Movaganher and Dark Eyes (the latter second favourite) next best.

3.—Commonwealth Handicap: "B" Class: Six Furlongs—For China Ponies. Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$400. 2nd Prize: \$160. 3rd Prize: \$100.

Beith & Heard's Christmas Chimes 154 lbs. (Mr. Heard) 1

Hinson & Wong's Chesapeake Bay 154 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 2

Lau & Lee's Duke of Chantilly 154 lbs. (Mr. da Roza) 3

Time: 2 mins. 05 secs.

A head, 4 lengths.

Parimutuel: winner \$8.50;

place, 1st \$8.30.

Winner Places

Christmas Chimes 924 303

Chesapeake Bay 588 188

Duke of Chantilly 239 74

A fine race and Mr. Heard's third victory—making three in succession.

Christmas Chimes drew the rails and made the pace with Duke of Chantilly running side by side. Mr. T. L. Wong, on Chesapeake Bay, held hard behind. After two furlongs, Mr. Wong reduced the gap and ran two lengths or less behind the other two. Turning into the straight, Christmas Chimes shook off Duke of Chantilly, Chesapeake had come up by now but Mr. Heard had sensed the danger and brought Christmas Chimes up the whole length of the straight under the whip.

Mr. Wong left his effort till after the mile post and failed by a head. Had he exercised his judgment otherwise, the favourite might have beaten Duke of Chantilly.

John Peel's Huntington 157 lbs. (Mr. Heard) 1

Stanton & Reidy's Blue World 158 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 2

Yam Man's Blue Danube 161 lbs. (Mr. da Roza) 3

Time: 1 min. 32.5/5 secs.

2½ lengths, 3 lengths.

Parimutuel: winner \$17.50;

places, 1st \$7.20; 2nd \$23.50; 3rd \$18.60.

Winner Places

Huntington 486 724

Thunderbolt 179 408

Sunning 172 277

Duke of Melrose 57 113

Kom Tong Hall 55 130

Blue Danube 52 120

White World 43 88

Erin's Isle 39 100

Duke of Nieblung 33 69

Brigade Call 12 18

Gold Medal 8 19

White Mist 8 17

Twilight Eve 6 18

Desert Storm 3 10

Asp of Spades 3 14

Favourite at just over evens, Huntington was in front from start to finish. Sunning and Thunderbolt, who were joint second favourites, failed to catch the judge's eye even for place. There was some excuse for Thunderbolt, running out of his class and handicapped by a poor start. Sunning had no excuse, however. He was second to Huntington at the critical moment but failed in the run up the straight.

Blue Danube came out of the ruck, ran side by side with Thunderbolt for a while, and finally forged ahead to earn third place money.

Twilight Eve was a bad last.

Duke of Melrose was very prominent in the paddock but never showed up in the race.

Yam Man's One-Third 142 lbs. (Mr. Clark) 0

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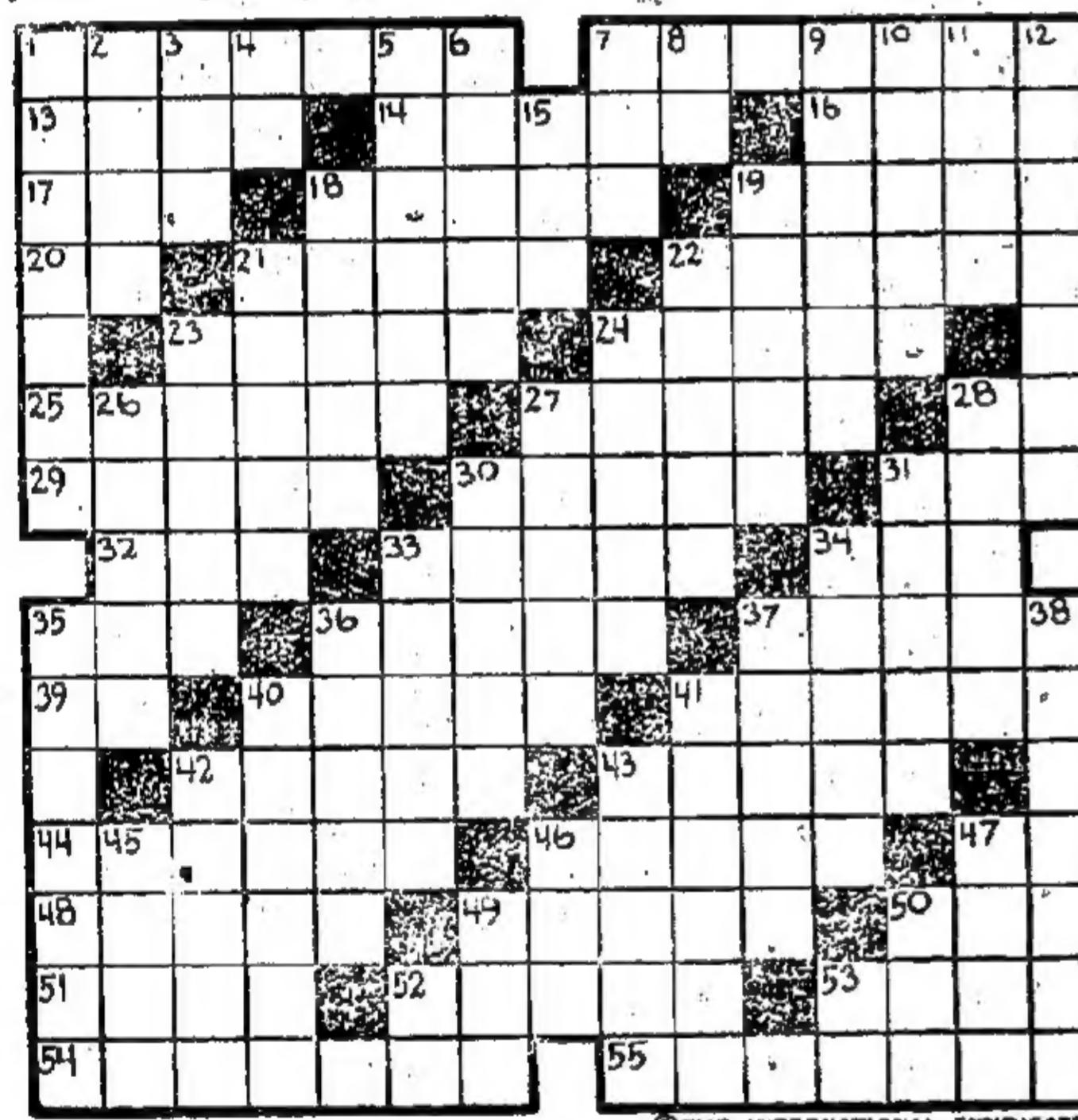
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert, but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as *harbor*, *plow*, and *althea*.)



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HORIZONTAL		HORIZONTAL (Cont.)		VERTICAL (Cont.)	
1-Ideal	41-To gratify	18-Caverns	19-Kind of cereal	21-Sheaf	22-More lucid
7-Scaling devices	42-Contentment	20-City in N. Y. State	21-Sheaf	23-More lucid	24-Strand
13-Extent	43-City in N. Y. State	22-More lucid	24-Strand	25-Clothed	26-Piles
14-Swift	44-King's seat	23-More lucid	25-Clothed	27-Hinder	28-Walts
16-Bad	46-Ands	24-Strand	25-Clothed	28-Walts	29-Vales
17-DRIVING OUT	47-Scour	25-Clothed	26-Piles	30-Closed car	31-Domestic animal
18-Made into a hard	48-Piles	26-Piles	27-Hinder	32-Is indignant	33-As a shrub of Scotland
19-Base	49-The one acting	27-Hinder	28-Walts	34-Ran away	35-Large water pipes
20-A bird	50-Is one acting	28-Walts	29-Vales	36-Large	37-Awake
21-After	51-Eagle	29-Vales	30-Closed car	38-Is indignant	39-As a shrub of Scotland
22-Made pungent	52-Lifesics	30-Closed car	31-Domestic animal	40-Ran away	41-Establishe
23-A number	53-Deer	31-Domestic animal	32-Is indignant	42-Kind	43-Musical drama
24-Swift	54-Ruddiest	32-Is indignant	33-As a shrub of Scotland	44-Music	45-Young place
25-Declar	55-Averys	33-As a shrub of Scotland	34-Ran away	46-Groves	47-Market
27-Older faces	3-Tropical bird (pl.)	34-Ran away	35-Large water pipes	48-Old	49-Emmet
28-Exalt	4-A	35-Large water pipes	36-Large	50-Auto	51-Mature
29-Ballads	5-A	36-Large	37-Awake	52-Ex's a	53-Prönoun
30-Opposed to credit	6-A	37-Awake	38-Is indignant	54-By	
31-Sister	7-Cover	38-Is indignant	39-As a shrub of Scotland		
32-An insect	8-Public notice (abbr.)	39-As a shrub of Scotland	40-Ran away		
33-Girl's name	9-Forbids	40-Ran away	41-Establishe		
34-Couch	10-Not cut	41-Establishe	42-Kind		
35-Pronoun	11-Mature	42-Kind	43-Musical drama		
36-Tooth	12-Heavy hammers	43-Musical drama	44-Music		
37-tree	13-By	44-Music	45-Young place		
38-Man's name (short)		45-Young place	46-Groves		
39-O'Soon		46-Groves	47-Market		

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

HOME RACING

WEIGHTS FOR QUEEN'S PRIZE

The following are the weights for the Queen's Prize, to be run at Kempton Park to-day (Monday):—

Yrs. st. lb.

Brown Jack	5	9	9	Feng	5	7	7
Sir Joshua	8	9	3	Hercules	6	7	7
Review Order	6	9	2	Start II	5	7	9
Saracen	4	8	13	Molly the Marchioness	4	7	9
Glenhazel	4	8	11	Rose of Athens	4	7	9
Cap a Pie	5	8	10	Mount Hawke	6	7	9
Jugo	5	8	8	Ballynahinch	6	7	9
West Wicklow	5	8	8	Planar	5	7	9
Mint Master	4	8	7	Nightfall	5	7	9
Lawsuit	4	8	7	Auction Pool	4	7	9
Buoyant Bachelor	4	8	6	Maidstone	5	7	9
Kingeb	4	8	5	Acroy	5	7	9
Cheero	4	8	4	Servus	6	7	9
Dark Hillcock	6	8	3	Faster	4	7	9
Alacrity	6	8	1	Prin	4	7	9
The Brown Talisman	5	8	0				
Flying Arab	4	7	11				
Pard	6	8	11				
Glenhazel II	5	7	10				

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION.

FUSE	CAP	SCAN
A-GAGE	A-SEA-E	
KIO-BOLD	CHANCE	
ELI-DETER	DAD	
ENCE	UNIT	
POETRY	ABYDOS	
R-E-H	P	
OBS-ESS	ASTHMA	
OU-ST	TRUE	
ALF-EROS-E	SEW	
COFFEE	ALASKA	
REELS	LENA	R
EERY	THE	DRA

CRICKET

HONG KONG C.C. WIN AGAIN

R. A. DEFEATED

Saturday's cricket was uncommonly dull, the depressing weather and end-of-the-season lack of enthusiasm contributing largely toward this factor.

In the only League fixture, the Hong Kong C.C. easily accounted for the Royal Artillery in the Senior Division. The former, who had already won the championship, have gone through their programme without a defeat, but have two drawn games against them.

Nothing of note was recorded in the four friendly matches, detailed scores of which follow.

League I

HONG KONG C.C. DEFEAT THE R.A.

On their own ground, the Hong Kong defeated the Royal Artillery by 96 runs.

Scoring very consistently, the home team compiled the respectable total of 173. Only two batsmen failed to reach double figures, the highest contributor being Hayward (34). Stanion, going in last but one, put up 26 in quick time.

The Gunners were weak in batting, Leach (45) alone making a stand. Taking four wickets each for 32 and 11 runs respectively, Parker and Owen Hughes were largely responsible for dismissing the visiting side for 77. Scores:—

Hong Kong C.C.

A. W. Hayward, b Leach	24
Rev. E. K. Quick, c Christian, b Leach	11
E. J. R. Mitchell, c Malta, b Musson	16
C. D. Wales, b Leach	3
K. H. Batger, b Leach	4
O. Moor, c Miller, b Leach	19
H. Owen Hughes, run out	12
H. V. Parker, c Leach, b Musson	15
G. E. R. Divett, b Miller	15
V. W. L. Stanion, c Walter, b Musson	26
H. R. B. Hancock, not out	10
Extras	4
Total	173

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O. M.	R.	W.
16	4	71
18	0	74
4	0	22
1.3	1	2
Total	71	173

R.C.C. 2ND XI

A. Butt, c Carr, b Harper	20
A. K. Ismail, b Westlake	12
A. M. Rumjahn, run out	4
F. M. el Arculli, c Sub, b Westlake	4
Total	169

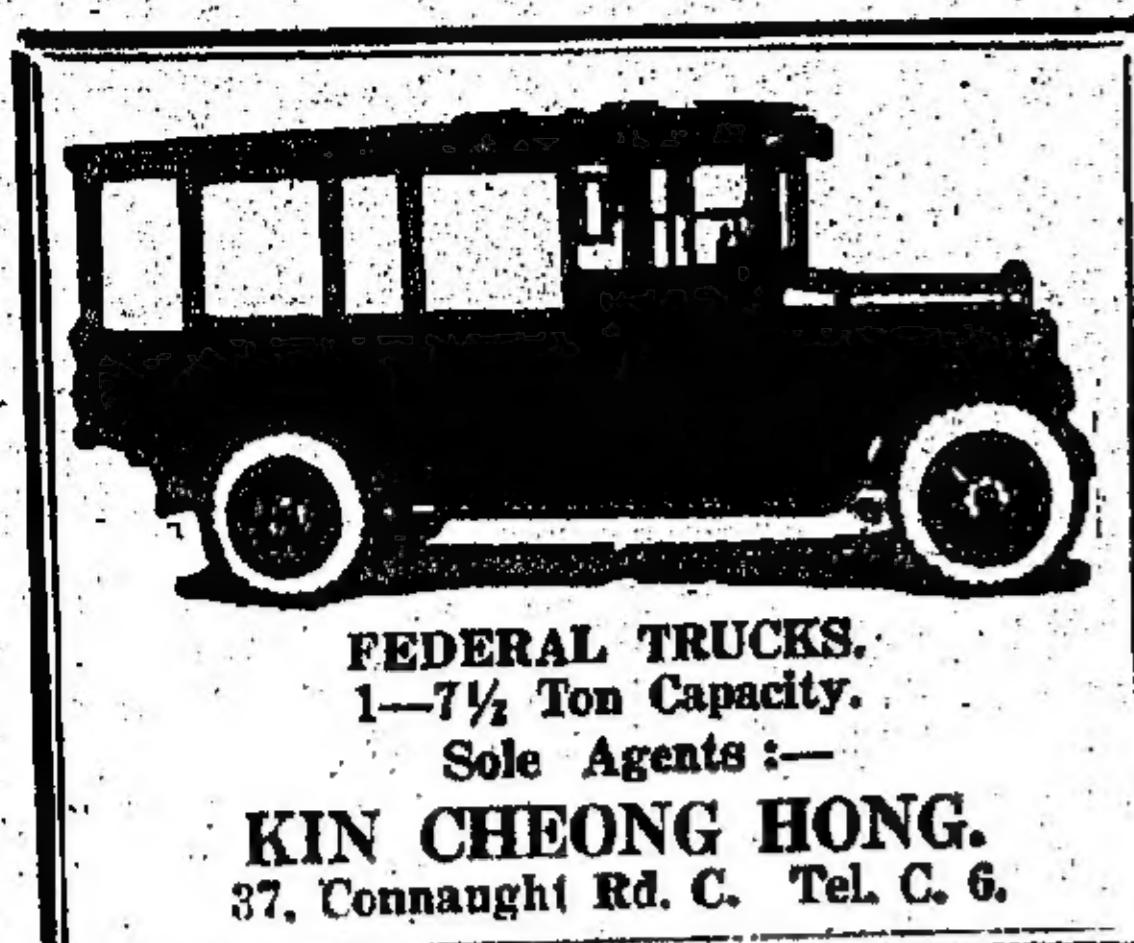
BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O. M.	R.	W.
18	3	32
14	5	32
Owen Hughes	5.5	11
Total	77	173

R.A.O.C. v. POLICE R.C.

O. M.	R.	W.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3.		
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Japan	Shunko Maru	
Europe via Negapatam (Letters only, London, March 7)	Diomed	
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Japan and Shanghai	Hakusan Maru	
SATURDAY, APRIL 6.		
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MONDAY, APRIL 8.		
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Cleveland	
TUESDAY, APRIL 9.		
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G.P.O. Registration 1.45 p.m.
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Sandakan Mansang 1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Haining 2 p.m.

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THE SACRED COLLEGE PERSONNEL

NOW ONLY 59

SEVERAL "RED HATS" AT POPE'S DISPOSAL

ANOTHER DEATH

Rome, Yesterday. The death of Cardinal Lucido has reduced the Sacred College to only 59 members, of whom 26 are Italian and 33 non-Italian, respectively.

As the quorum or "plenum" is 70, although customarily one or two places are vacant, the Pope has now eight or nine red hats at his disposal, a record since the time of Leo the Thirteenth.—Reuter.

BIG DEAL

RADIO AND TELEPHONE'S TENTATIVE PLAN

JOINT STATEMENT

New York, Saturday. The Radio Corporation and the International Telephone and Telegraph Company have jointly issued a statement to the effect that their agreement is merely an accord regarding the desirability of the consolidation of their communications and interests and is a tentative plan under which this might be accomplished when the law permits.

The statement adds that the unification of communications such as has occurred in the British Empire will be to the interests of the United States.—Reuter's American Service.

An earlier telegram was to the following effect:

The "Herald Tribune" states that an agreement has been signed in Paris for the sale of the Radio Corporation's subsidiary company, the Communication Co. to the International Telephone & Telegraph Co. for \$100,000,000.

SYDNEY-WYNDHAM

START OF NON-STOP FLIGHT

SINGAPORE LATER

Sydney, Saturday. Captain Kingsford Smith and Mr. Ulm, the first airmen to fly across the Pacific, have started on a non-stop flight of 2,000 miles to Wyndham, West Australia, en route to Singapore and thence to Britain.—Reuter.

FOICED DOWN Sydney, Yesterday. Kingsford Smith and Ulm, aboard the "Southern Cross" made a forced landing near Wyndham, owing to lack of petrol. The crew of four, includes a navigator and wireless operator.—Reuter.

Mr. L. Evans, of Denmark Cottage, Woodley, near Reading, who had been working fog signals, was knocked down by a train and killed on the Great Western Railway near Sonning golf course early one morning last month.

CHEFOO QUIET

LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN SHANTUNG

NORTHERNERS' CAMPAIGN

Chefoo, Yesterday. All is quiet here. There are about 1,000 ex-Northern troops (who ejected the Nationalist defenders) in the vicinity. — British Naval Wireless.

Ching's "I Will Fight."

Peking, Saturday. Chang Tsung-chang yesterday called on several foreign Consuls at Chefoo and stated that Sun Chuan-fang would shortly be joining him. His next objectives would be Tsinan and Tsingtao and that as soon as the Japanese withdrew he would fight Feng Yu-hsiang if he attempted to come in. As far as is known Chang Tsung-chang controls 35,000 men, including Chu Yu-pu's troops.—Reuter.

Japanesese Murdered?

Tokyo, Saturday. Commenting on the Press reports that a Japanese has been murdered at Tsiho in Shantung province, the Government spokesman states that an official report says that it has been unable to verify the murderer's nationality so far, as the head was cut off.

The Foreign Office has ordered investigations and is awaiting a further report.—Reuter.

Feng to Take Over

Shanghai, Saturday. A Kuo Min news agency report from Tai-ku-fu, in Shantung, says that 30,000 of Feng Yu-hsiang's troops have gone eastward to take over the garrisoning of the Tsinan—Kiaochow area, following Japanese withdrawal.—Reuter.

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